

**SAINTS MARKELLA AND DEMETRIOS GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH**

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## 13<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Luke

### Saint Stylianos the Monk of Paphlagonia



St. Stylianos was from Paphlagonia living in the latter 6th century and early 7th century. He loved the Lord Jesus Christ with his whole heart and lived in strict asceticism. When he fell asleep in the Lord, his face shone like the sun and an angel appeared to take his soul to Glory. His prayers have worked many miracles, both during his earthly life and since. He is of special help to children who are ill and to childless couples. He is known as a protector of orphans.

# **Worship Guide**

November 26, 2017

## **Resurrectional Apolytikion in the Plagal of the Fourth Tone**

From on high did You descend, O merciful Lord, for us did You endure three days in the tomb that we may be released from passions in this world, You who are our resurrection and our life. Glory unto You O Lord.

## **Troparion of St. Markella in the First Tone**

Obedient to the laws of the Lord and to His divine teachings, you kept them blamelessly, O Markella and being frightened of the violence of your father who pursued you. O pure bride of Christ you hid in the mountains where he found you and took your life. Glory to Him who has given you strength, Glory to Him who has crowned you, Glory to Him who works healings through you to everyone.

## **Troparion of St. Demetrios in the Third Tone**

The world found in you a great champion in danger. A victor who could turn the nations back. As you restrained Levi in the arena, you also inspired Nestor to courage. Therefore, Holy Great Martyr Demetrios, entreat Christ God, to grant us great, great mercy!

## **Seasonal Kontakion in the Third Tone**

On this day the Virgin Maid goes to the grotto to give birth to the pre-eternal Word in an ineffable manner. Dance for joy, all the inhabited earth, on hearing. Glorify along with Angels and with the shepherds Him who willed that He appear as a newborn Child, the pre-eternal God

## **EPISTLE READING**

### **Paul's Second Letter to the Ephesians 4:1-7**

*Prokeimenon. Mode pl. 4. Psalm 75 (76).*

*Pray and return to the Lord Your God; all around Him shall bring gifts*

BRETHREN, I, a prisoner for the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all lowliness and meekness, with patience, forbearing one another in love, eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of us all, who is above all and through all and in all. But grace was given to each of us according to the measure of Christ's gift.

## **GOSPEL READING**

### **The Gospel According to Luke 18:18-27**

AT THAT TIME, a ruler came to Jesus and asked him, "Good Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" And Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: 'Do not commit adultery, Do not kill, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Honor your father and mother.' " And he said, "All these I have observed from my youth." And when Jesus heard it, he said to him, "One thing you still lack. Sell all that you have and distribute it to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me." But when he heard this he became sad, for he was very rich. Jesus looking at him said, "How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God! For it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God." Those who heard it said, "Then who can be saved?" But he said, "What is impossible with men is possible with God." ."

## TODAY IN OUR PARISH

***40 Day Memorial for Sophia (Sonia) Dudek  
1 Year Memorial for Gerasimos Gerald Hughes  
May Their Memory Be Eternal***

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***GOYA Christmas Party & Tree Decoration at 6pm.  
Please join us.***

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## WHAT'S HAPPENING IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 29<sup>TH</sup>

6:30pm: Orthodoxy 101

### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1<sup>ST</sup>

9:30am: Bible Study

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3<sup>RD</sup>

9am: Orthros

10am: Divine Liturgy

St. Nicholas Youth Festival following Divine Liturgy



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Website: [www.stmarkella.org](http://www.stmarkella.org)

Festival Photos: [#greekfestivalfbw](https://www.instagram.com/greekfestivalfbw)

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## ST. NICHOLAS YOUTH FESTIVAL, DECEMBER 3<sup>rd</sup>

Our Annual Youth Festival for St. Nicholas will be celebrated after Divine Liturgy on Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>. We invite parents and children of all ages.

## CHRISTMAS CARD ORDERS

Monday, December 4<sup>th</sup> is the last day to turn in Christmas Card orders to the Office or Mary Walters.

## PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10<sup>TH</sup> FOLLOWING LITURGY

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## NATIVITY LITURGY SCHEDULE

**Christmas Eve:** Sunday, December 24<sup>th</sup>, 9am Orthros, 10am Divine Liturgy  
**Feast of the Nativity of Our Lord:** Monday, December 25<sup>th</sup>, 9am Orthros, 10am Divine Liturgy

**COFFEE HOUR HOSTS:** *Presv. Kathy & Connie Morgan*



*Coffee Hour Next Week: St. Nicholas Pot Luck*

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**USHERS:** *Cookie Kostopoulos, Steve Paros, and Jeanette Rosa*

**GREETERS:** *Gene Bass and Mark Simunovich*

**ALTAR BOYS TEAM:** *Zacharias Fletcher, Nicolai Kasch,  
Jonathan Morgan, Jet Reaves, Kadin Reaves*

# Welcome!

Thank you for joining us today for worship. This is information to help make your worship experience more meaningful.

At 10:00 am the Divine Liturgy, which is the main worship service of the Orthodox Church, begins with the words from the priest "Blessed is the kingdom of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit...".

The beginning of the service may be found on page 1 of the small red book entitled The Divine Liturgy of Saint John Chrysostom. Each Sunday the Epistle, Gospel and certain hymns change to express what is being celebrated that day. This guide has them printed out for you so you may follow along more easily.

We welcome people of all faiths and denominations to worship with us and appreciate your presence. For those who are not Orthodox Christians we ask that you not receive the Holy Communion when it is offered to the congregation. Those visitors who are Orthodox Christians may receive Communion provided you normally receive at your home parish and have not been restricted in any way. For Orthodox Christians, when in doubt whether to receive or not, please ask Fr. Thomas in advance and he will be happy to advise you.

For those of you visiting an Orthodox Christian Church for the first time, we pray that you have a very meaningful worship experience.

Orthodox worship reaches all five senses. Through sight with the icons, church architecture and the movement of worship; through smell with the use of incense; through sound through the beauty of the Church music; through taste with the receiving of Holy Communion; and through touch with lighting of candles, crossing oneself, and the veneration of icons.

You will find that the Orthodox place a great emphasis on reverence in worship. Our reverence is serious, but also very joyful as well.

Please ask one of the attendants in the Narthex (the back of the church) if you have any questions. May God continue to bless and keep all of us.

## **PRAY FOR YOUR LOVED ONES**

Please bring names of your loved ones, both living and deceased, so the priest may pray for them. We pray for all people. With Divine Liturgy, the names of the Orthodox are commemorated during the Proskomidi (the Preparation of the Gifts) and during Liturgy.

Erica Ailes	Steve Stephanopoulos	Julie Mamani
Dorothy Eshelman	Mary Ann Carr	Dana Visoiu
Ariel McBroom	Nancy Janos	Fr. George Dursa
Katia Antonis	Stanojka Stevanovic	Angela McBroom
Zachary Fletcher	Vonni Cobb	Badra Walters
Nicholas McBroom	Mary Spiridoula Kalista	Fr. Thomas Newlin
Marina Newlin	David Stewart	Litsa Carrion
Chryssoula Henderson	Angela Walters Comfort	Angela Hlavity
Butch Otis	Philip Kanellopoulos	Edward Scruggs & Family
The Boltz Family	Janet Sutherland	Constantine Sneider
Jim Hobson	Max Copeland	Janice Parton
Tina Puffer	Sheree Kanellopoulos	Jamie Douglas
Lark Tringas Bostick	Sue and John Tullis	Gene & Alexis Bass
Jake Hoskin	Tsao Chien Din	Col. Philip Trexler
Xaire Sheikho	Carl Kruljac	
Kathy Bowdoin & Family	Lou Vagias, Sr.	All service men and women who
Cleopatra Hughes & Family	Mike & Debra Donagan	are deployed overseas

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**The Following Individuals/Families Have Submitted a Pledge Card for 2017:**

Gene and Thea Bass	Georgia Jensen
Andrew and Toni Nicolopoulos	Lou Vagias, Sr
Kathryn Bastian	Frederick and Panagiota Johnson
Joe and Despina O'Neil	Panagis and Irene Vallianatos
Stella Benaquis	Craig and Mariya Kasch
Nicholas and Tanya Papadopoulos	Vaselike Betty Vallianatos
Vonni Cobb	Cookie Kostopoulos
Samuel and Nora Pappas	Nick and Candace Vlahos
Barbara Denamur	Helen Kuritz
Edward and Michelle Parimuha	John Walker
Sophia Dudek	Colin and Lydia LaFavor
Steve and Veta Paros	Harold and Joyce Walter
Trina Fallon	Angela and Andrew McBroom
Anastas and Betsy Pazevic	Mary Walters
Laszlo and Ionela Feczko	Rodney and Jamilah Williams
Dale and Molly Perkins	Mike and Susan Horner
Scott and Lynne Fehrenbach	Lou and Maria McCloud
Magdi and Hoda Rizk	George and Nina Michas
Keith and Rebecca Fletcher	Dr. Elizabeth Michas
Jeannette Rosa	George Karov
Alan and Mary Gardner	John and Connie Morgan
Laith and Safaa Sahawneh	Harold and Anita Diamond
Lena Giannios	Katy Kruljac
Joann Yanora-Salazar	Joseph Abbate
Terri Grammas	Charles & Margaret Abbate
Mark and Iris Simunovich	Anthony & Miriam Aldehneh
Tom and Janice Hewlett	Kathleen Reed
Michael and Alexandra Sneider	Garry & Patty Overholt
Linda and Nick Holoviak	Paul & Candace Lamitina
Angelos and Katrina Thomas	Betty Jo Billups
Cleopatra Hughes	Eugenia Ursu
Karl and Sandy Trammell	Veronica & Ruslan Josan
	Tim & Vicki Boolos
	Oana Cazacu
	Malpa Fuller
	Alan & Mary Gardner
	Jason Harris

***“As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord.”***

***(Joshua 24:15)***